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SUBJ: SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE, SEPTEMBER 26, A.M.

CAPETOWN FOR EMBASSY

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED CHAIRMAN LIND (SWEDEN) READ "DRAFT DECISION OF SPC" CONCERNING PARTICIPATION OF ANC AND PAC AS OBSERVERS DURING COMMITTEE'S DISCUSSION OF APARTHEID. WITH SOUTH AFRICA'S DELEGATION ABSENT, A VOTE WAS NOT REQUESTED, AND DRAFT DECISION WAS ADOPTED. TEXT (SAME AS THAT DISCUSSED WITH IO-REIS) BEING POUCHED DEPARTMENT.

2. FOLLOWING ADOPTION OF DECISION, STATEMENTS MADE BY REPRESENTATIVES OF BELGIUM, FRG, FRANCE, UK, AND NETHERLANDS. BASIC POINT OF THEIR RESERVATIONS WAS THAT LIBERATION MOVEMENTS OF SOUTH AFRICA DO NOT POSSESS "EXCLUSIVE RIGHT" TO SPEAK FOR ALL PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA. REPS OF INDIA AND TRINIDAD/TOBAGO PRAISED ADOPTION OF DECISION, WITH LATTER OBSERVING THAT THERE ARE WHITES IN SOUTH AFRICA WHO OPPOSE APARTHEID AS WELL.

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3. CHAIRMAN DISTRIBUTED PROPOSED OUTLINE FOR ORGANI-

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ZATION OF WORK, WHICH WILL BE DISCUSSED AT COMMITTEE'S NEXT MEETING, OCTOBER 1, P.M. COPY OF TENTATIVE SCHEDULE BEING SENT DEPARTMENT BY SEPTEL. END UNCLASSIFIED.

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4. SOUTH AFRICAN COUNSELOR STEWARD TELEPHONED MISOFF SEPTEMBER 26 TO EXPRESS SOUTH AFRICA'S "DISAPPOINTMENT" OVER US NOT HAVING MADE STATEMENT OF RESERVATIONS. MISOFF INFORMED STEWARD THAT US POSITION WAS ALREADY WELL-KNOWN AND THAT OUR ACTION WAS PURSUANT, INTER ALIA, TO PRECEDENT MADE CONCERNING LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN FOURTH COMMITTEE. SOUTH AFRICAN MISSION HAS CIRCULATED COPY OF LETTER FROM PERM REP VON HIRSCHBERG TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, WHICH REITERATES OPPOSITION TO SEATING OF SOUTH AFRICA "POLITICAL MOVEMENTS," NOTING "THEY DO NOT REPRESENT OR SPEAK FOR ANYONE IN SOUTH AFRICA." (TEXT BEING POUCHED DEPARTMENT.) END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE BENNETT

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